MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

BETWEEN

1. CZECH UNIVERSITY OF LIFE SCIENCES Prague (CULS),

Represented by Prof. Dr. Jan Hron, Rector

and

2. UNIVERSIDAD AUTONOMA DE SANTO DOMINGO (UASD) Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic

Represented by Prof. Dr. Franklin Garcia Fermin, Rector

WHEREAS:

Parties wish to establish mutual contribution to the academic education and

development of both parties;

WHEREAS:

Parties wish to encourage and establish exchange programmes and

collaborative scientific research

Parties agree as follows:

Art. 1.1. Cooperation between parties shall be carried out, subject to availability of funds, the approval of both parties and on the basis reciprocity, through such activities or programmes as:

1. Exchange of students and staff;

2. Joint research activities;

3. Participation in seminars and academic meetings;

4. Development of university infrastructure.

Art. 1.2. The cooperation described above will in every case be dependent upon the availability of necessary funds, either from within both parties or from external sources. Both parties, separately or jointly, will try to allocate sources.

Art. 2. The areas of cooperation include, subject to mutual consent, any programme offered by either party and considered desirable and having potential to contribute to the mission and effectiveness of either party and/or contribute to fostering the cooperative relationship between parties.

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- Art. 3. The terms and necessary budget for each programme and activity will be described in Letters of Agreement which will be prepared subsequent to this Memorandum of Understanding and signed by both parties prior to the initiation of a cooperative programme or activity. Each programme and activity will be negotiated on an annual basis. Each university will designate a contact person who will be responsible for the implementation of the Letter of Agreement.
- Art. 4.1 In every Letter of Agreement concerning an exchange programme and collaborative research, the following topics will be arranged with mutual consent:
 - requirements concerning admittance of students to each university;
 - number and duration of the exchanges;
 - aim of the exchange or the collaborative research;
 - facilities offered by each university.
- Art. 4.2 Concerning staff exchange programmes and collaborative research the parties hereby further agree that:
 - the sending side will pay for all travel expenses, for lodging and meals
 - the host party will find lodging for visiting participants
 - visiting participants will be responsible for obtaining the necessary insurance coverage. The host university cannot be held responsible for any damage suffered or caused by a visiting participant. A visiting participant must be able to show the insurance contract on the request of the responsible administrator of the host university. Visiting participants will abide by the rules and regulations of the host university and by local laws.
- Art. 4.3 Concerning student exchange programmes parties also agree that:
 - each student will pay tuition and fees to the hosting university, provided that the host university requires the payment of such tuition and fees from foreign students;
 - expenses for insurance, for travel to and the stay in the host country will be borne by the participating student.
 - the departments involved in the exchange at the respective universities will provide for academic counselling in order to ensure that all academic courses are recognised by the home university.
 - information concerning the types of training involved and their mode of access, the diplomas and/or certificates that may be granted, and information about research programmes as well as those groups which are involved in it, will be systematically exchanged between the two universities.
- Art. 5 The present Memorandum of Understanding is signed for 2 years (two years), starting from the date of its signature by both parties, and is renewable by tacit agreement for equal periods. Either party may terminate this Memorandum of Understanding by means of a certified letter received six month prior to the end of any calendar year.

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In the event that one or several items of this agreement is deemed inapplicable due to certain prevailing judicial decisions or legislative acts, the parties will look for alternative agreements on this or these litigious points. However, all other applicable items of this agreement will remain in force, but only for the continuation of the current year.

Art. 7

The present Memorandum of Understanding is written in English language in two (2) identical copies, each copy will be signed and legalised with an official stamp of both parties.

Place and Date: Prague on 25,06.09

Czech University of Life Sciences Prague

Prof. Dr. Jan Hron,

Rector

Stamp of Institution

Universidad Autonoma de Santo Domingo,

Prof. Dr. Franklin Garcia Fermin

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